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ENVIRONMENT, FISH AND WILDLIFE

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In reply refer to: KEC-4

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Dear Mr. Harrel:

This letter serves as a response to your amended Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of July 31, 2002 (#02-046), in which you requested the following information:

1. With respect to the Schultz-Hanford Area Transmission Line Project DOE/EIS-0325, please provide a copy of the easement or title document(s) relating to any agreement to proceed over the Yakama allotment land. We are particularly interested in knowing the status of the plans of the BPA as to whether the proposed power line will go in a straight line over the Yakama allotment land or detour over the Kellogg Family Ranch.

RESPONSE: Easement document is enclosed. BPA plans to identify the Yakama allotment land as the preferred route for the transmission line in the Final EIS, scheduled to be released to the public in December 2002. As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, BPA's final decision will be recorded in a Record of Decision, scheduled to be released to the public in January 2003.

As you qualify for two hours of search time and 100 pages of copying without charge, you will not be billed for this request.

If you have any questions, please contact John Gleason, at (503) 230-7318.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Project Lead